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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Preliminary to examination please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 6, delete "and the compounds" and substitute therefor --which compounds--

Page 1, line 8, delete "cell" and substitute therefor --cells--

Page 1, line 10, delete "cell" and substitute therefor --cells--

Page 1, line 14, delete "of" and substitute therefor --to, or--

Page 1, line 26, after "but" insert --for the--

Page 1, line 27, delete "part of" and substitute therefor --part,--

Page 1, line 28, before "the" insert --has--

Page 1, line 34, delete "could" and substitute therefor --does--

Page 2, line 23, delete "to cause" and substitute therefor --which causes--

Page 2, line 24, delete "and this"

Page 3, lines 8-9, delete "obtained the conclusion" and substitute therefor --confirmed this--

Page 8, line 11, delete "biosyntheses" and substitute therefor --biosynthesis--

Page 22, line 24, before "R<sup>3</sup>" insert --wherein--

Page 23, line 16, delete "form" and substitute therefor --from--

Page 23, line 21, delete "form" and substitute therefor --from--

Page 24, line 12, delete "form" and substitute therefor --from--